

## Dear Parents, Carers and Children

Staff and children alike have really enjoyed this week's activities and events celebrating all things word and book for our North Down's **Pen & Page Week**. We also had enormous fun with the **North Downs Bake Off** and were amazed - and seriously impressed - by the wonderful entries. Choosing winning entries was very difficult, as we would have loved to award every child's entry, so well done to everyone and especial congratulations to those finally selected as our winners.

### Spiderman/'The Colour Blue' Mufti Collection

Thank you all for your generous donations to our recent mufti day, which raised a fantastic total of £782.04. Staff and parents are consulting and we will let you know as soon as we have a final decision on how it is to be used.



Bees' entries and winner - well done Ryan



Beetles' entries and winner - well done Libby



Well done to all our Brockham Master Bakers (pictured top left) - and to the three prize winners Evan (50), Thomas (4BM) & Alexandra (Dragonflies) (pictured above). Also to Reuben (6J) who received a special commendation for his Wonka Bar cake.

## REMINDERS AND DATES

**Named Uniform:** with some warmer days recently, sweatshirts and cardigans came off...only to find in some cases reuniting them with their owner was a challenge. We take this opportunity to remind you that all uniform (including P.E. kit) should be clearly named with a sew-in label or indelible pen. If you chose to use the pen, please refresh this regularly in case frequent washing has caused the name to fade. Shoes should also be clearly named. It is not uncommon for more than one child in a class to have the same style shoe, in exactly the same shoe size.

**KS2 Dinner Money:** this half-term's payment, due now for the period 20<sup>th</sup> February to 31<sup>st</sup> March, is **£66.00**. Alternatively, the weekly cost is £11.00. Payment/s should be made online using your Tucasi account (via the link available on the school website). Please check your account prior to payment as you may find there is a credit or overdue amount outstanding. All meals should be paid for in advance and any changes require a week's written notice.

## OTHER NEWS

**Nuts Junior Challenge:** on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March 09.00-12.00 at Henfold Lake Fishery & Caravan Park, Henfold Lane, Beare Green, Dorking. This will be an obstacle course challenge for children aged 4-13yrs, aimed at getting them outdoors and into an active environment. There will be 15 to 20 obstacles including hurdles, net crawls, ramps, monkey bars and balance beams. All participating children will receive a quality Nuts Junior Challenge medal. You can register for this event via the link <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-nuts-junior-challenge-winter-tickets-27577851095>

**Flanchford Bridge:** we have been advised that Flanchford Bridge will re-open on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March!

**Leigh Village Children's Playground:** Can You Help? The public playground in Leigh is tired and in need of improvement. Leigh Parish Council are seeking volunteers to help fund-raise, design and organise the next generation of this playground. Today's playground is a great success thanks to a fantastic effort some years ago by a team of Leigh villagers - the 'PLAY' committee - together with many generous donations from local people. They now want to build on this success; to refresh and improve the children's playground. If you think you can help please contact Laura Mann on 07544 037681 or via email to [leighparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:leighparishcouncil@gmail.com) by Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March at the latest.

**Brockham Brownies:** are looking for a new unit leader or assistant leader. They meet on Thursdays in the church hall at Brockham from 5.30 to 6.45. Enthusiasm and energy are the main requirements as all the admin is done by another member of the team! If you are interested in this rewarding role, or know someone who might be, please contact Hazel King at [brockham\\_brownies@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:brockham_brownies@yahoo.co.uk) or 07748 654585.



Caterpillars were delighted to see this collection of Dinky cars, brought into school by Leo's Grandad, Dennis. Our thanks goes to him for showing them to the children...and for allowing them to touch!

## FRIENDS' MATTERS

We hope all the infants enjoyed their cookies and hot chocolate at **Cosy Story Time** this week.

Our next **Movie Night** is **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March**. We are showing **TROLLS**, so look out for the booking form soon.

The annual **Easter Hat Competition** is on **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March**, so start thinking about your creation for this year! There is a prize for the best Easter Hat in each year group.

Many thanks and have a great weekend, Team FONDS xx

If you wish to contact FONDS directly, please use the following email address - [fonds@northdowns.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:fonds@northdowns.surrey.sch.uk)

**Always remember to check the updated Diary Dates on the following page**

*(Note: dates in italics have been added or changed this week)*

Yours sincerely

J. Douglas

Finally

**Have a lovely weekend**

### Spring Term 2017

Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Bikeability Level 1 Year 5
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> March	Bikeability Level 1 Year 5
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Class Assembly 9.10am - 50
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> March	KS1 Curriculum Day (all Year 1 at Brockham & all Year 2 at Leigh)
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Junior Citizen (child safety event) for Year 6 - details to follow
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Class Assembly 9.10am - 3MB
w/c Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Last week of School Clubs
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Class Assembly 9.10am - Ladybirds
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> March	FONDS Movie Night
w/c Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Bonnet competition week
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Gold Star Assembly at Leigh 9.15am (by invitation)
Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Gold Star Assembly at Brockham 9.15am (by invitation)
Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> March	End or Term      Early Closure: R/KS1 - 1pm KS2 - 1.15pm

### Summer Term 2017

Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> April	First Day of School
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Dorking Halls Music Festival 7pm
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> April	FONDS Quiz Night
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> May	May Day Bank Holiday - school closed
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	School Clubs commence
w/c Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATS
Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Maypole Day & Dancing (all at Brockham for the day)
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> May	INSET Closure 4 of 5
Week 29 <sup>th</sup> May - 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	HALF TERM
Week 5 <sup>th</sup> -9 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Residential Trip to Windmill Hill
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Meetings for Year R Betchworth & Year 2 Leigh parents transferring to Leigh/Brockham Sept17
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> June	FONDS Summer Ball
w/c Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> June	KS1 Phonics Assessment
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> to Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Bikeability Level 2 Year 6
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Induction Evening for new intake Reception parents 7.30pm Brockham
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> June	KS2 Sports Day
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	KS1 Sports Day
w/c Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Last week of School Clubs
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Pedals for Year 2 (Brockham & Leigh)
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Pedals for Year 2 (Brockham & Leigh)
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Year Pupil Reports
Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Parent/Teacher Consultations Leigh / Betchworth 3.30 - 6pm. Brockham 5 - 7.30pm
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Parent/Teacher Consultations Brockham 3.30 - 6pm. Leigh / Betchworth 5 - 7.30pm
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Gold Star Assembly - Leigh (by invitation)
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Gold Star Assembly - Brockham (by invitation)
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Disco
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> July	End or Term      Early Closure: R/KS1 - 1pm KS2 - 1.15pm
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> July	INSET 5 of 5

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INSET DAYS: 1<sup>st</sup>) 05/09/2016; 2<sup>nd</sup>) 06/09/2016; 3<sup>rd</sup>) 03/01/2017; 4<sup>th</sup>) 26/05/2017; 5<sup>th</sup>) 21/07/2017

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